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National Military Appreciation Month

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says May is National Military Appreciation Month, a time for all to honor, remember, recognize and appreciate those who have served in the past and those now serving, as well as their families.

“My recent visits with South Dakota troops in Kuwait and Afghanistan have given me a renewed appreciation for their service to our state and our country,” Gov. Daugaard said. “Our soldiers serve proudly when called to duty – both overseas and at home. They are well-trained and determined, and they do a remarkable job, I couldn’t be more proud of them.”

National Military Appreciation Month includes: Loyalty Day (5/1), Victory in Europe Day (5/8), Military Spouse Appreciation Day (5/11), Armed Forces Day (5/19), and Memorial Day (5/30).

Each of those days provides an opportunity to learn more about military members and the families who have given of themselves to support and defend the principles we hold dear.

“Let’s dedicate this month to honor all of our military men and women and their families and educate the youth of our nation on the historical impact the US military has had for our country,” said Adjutant General Timothy Reisch, Secretary of the South Dakota Department of the Military. “This nation’s veterans and their families have contributed so much to earn and preserve the freedoms we all enjoy.”

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